

מסכת
 סוּפָה
 דף כ"א

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Inside the Daf

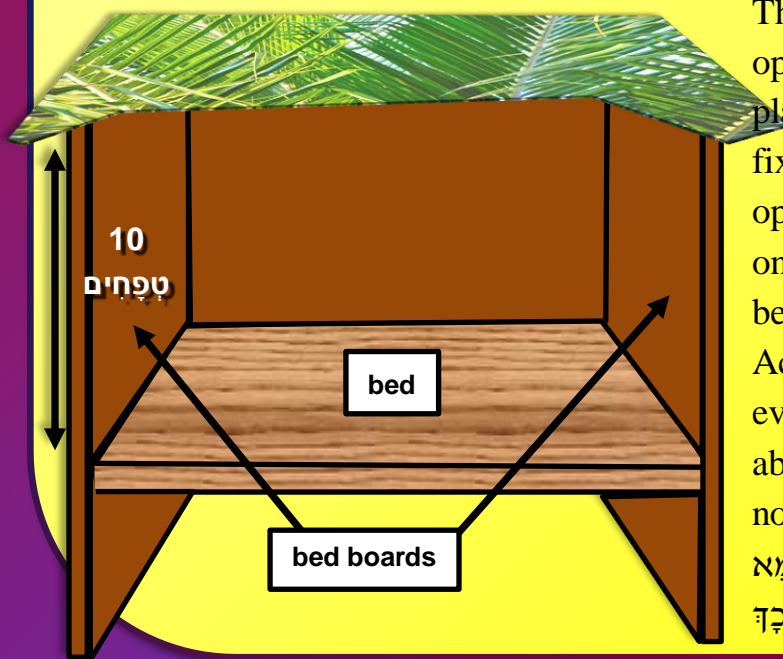
The משנה teaches, a סוּפָה that is supported by bed boards, meaning the walls of the סוּפָה are the bed boards, is כָּשֵׁר (valid) as a סוּפָה. רַבִּי יְהוֹנָדָה, however, says such a סוּפָה is כָּשֵׁר only if it could stand by itself if the bed was taken away.

What is רַבִּי יְהוֹנָדָה's reason? Some say because רַבִּי יְהוֹנָדָה requires the סוּפָה to be a "fixed" structure. If the סוּפָה

depends on the bed for its walls it is not a "fixed" structure since it will move whenever someone moves the bed.

Others say that since a bed (and its bed boards) can become טָמֵא (impure), the סוּפָה walls are not valid as סָכָךְ (covering) or *even to support* סָכָךְ.

The difference between these two opinions can be in a case where סָכָךְ is placed on four metal poles that are fixed in place. According to the opinion that says רַבִּי יְהוֹנָדָה requires only a "fixed" structure, this סוּפָה will be כָּשֵׁר (once walls are added). According to the opinion that says even the סָכָךְ's *support* must not be able to become טָמֵא, this סוּפָה would not be כָּשֵׁר since metal can become טָמֵא and is being used to support the סָכָךְ.



Yoel rushed into the synagogue, grabbed a candy from the 'candy man' and made his way to sit next to his father. He was not impressed.

"Yoelik," said his father, "I noticed you didn't say 'please' or 'thank you' to the candy man when he gave you a candy."

Yoelik looked down.

"You know," continued his father, "Even the casual talk of Torah scholars needs to

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be studied. This can mean the way a Torah scholar speaks must be studied. You won't find a true Torah scholar brush someone off, or miss saying 'please' or a 'thank you.' If you want to know how to speak with proper manners, pay attention to how the rabbis behave. We could learn a lot from them, too."

"Abba," said Yoel, "I'm going to say sorry

to the candy man."

"That would be the right thing to do," said his father.

"I know," said Yoel. "I saw Rabbi Randleman say sorry to someone once, too!"

(אמרי פנחס השלם, ח"י"א, שער התורה אות לד)

The Conversations of Scholars

In yesterday's משנה, רבן גמליאל said in conversation, "Have you seen טבי, my non-Jewish slave? He is a Torah scholar and knows that as a non-Jewish slave he is not required to live in a סוכה. For that reason he sleeps underneath a bed in the סוכה."

A text in today's גמרא quotes רבי שמעון who says, from רבן גמליאל's simple conversation, we may learn two things:

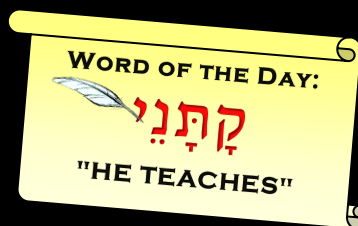
- 1) Non-Jewish slaves do not have to live in a סוכה
- 2) Someone who sleeps under a bed does not fulfill his requirement to be inside a סוכה

The גמרא observes that by learning these two lessons from רבן גמליאל's simple conversation, רבי שמעון is teaching us that even the simple conversations of Torah scholars are full of wisdom and should be given due attention.



Did You Know...

In the time of the Second Temple, there were courtyards in Jerusalem built on top of bedrock arches. In case a body had been buried under ground, the arches would prevent the טומאה (ritual impurity) of the corpse from rising above and contaminating the people in the city.



Games

How many things can you find wrong with this סוכה?

Review Questions – סוכה דף כ"א

1. According to רבי יחזקיה, when is a סוכה held up with bed boards קישר (valid)?

2. What do we learn about the simple conversation of Torah scholars?

3. In the time of the Second Temple, how were some courtyards built in Jerusalem?

